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Governor Perdue Announces Local Road Projects for Bartow County

ATLANTA - Governor Sonny Perdue today released his list of 2006 local road projects – including 20.3 miles for Bartow County – that will be funded through his *Paving the Way Home* transportation initiative.

“These road improvement projects are investments in the communities in this county,” said Governor Sonny Perdue. “Local roads account for nearly 84 percent of the state’s entire road system. Improving local roads will lead to greater economic prosperity and ultimately a better quality of life for Georgia’s citizens.”

The 2006 statewide local road projects released today, funded through the Local Assistance Road Program (LARP), total \$60 million, only a portion of the \$234 million that will be a part of Governor Perdue’s two year initiative. At a later date, 2007 LARP and State Aid projects will be announced to complete the *Paving the Way Home* initiative.

“The money for these necessary road projects is welcome,” said Senator Bill Heath (R-Bremen) who represents Bartow County. “Governor Perdue recognizes how important it is to northwest Georgia that we have good, safe roads for our citizens.

“I know the people of Bartow County appreciate the Governor’s efforts and his dedication to public safety,” said Senator Preston Smith (R-Rome).

Georgia counties prioritize their transportation improvement needs each year and submit a list to the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) to determine how much funding they will receive under LARP and State Aid. The 2006 LARP projects were selected from these prioritized project lists.

Road improvement projects for Bartow County are as follows:

Adairsville

Cass Street
Chestnut Street

Cartersville

Chestnut Street
Defender Street
Industrial Drive South
Latimer Road/Ridgeway Drive
Riverside Drive
Spring Street
Vigilance Street
Walker Street

Emerson

Old Alabama Road

Kingston

Martin Circle

Unincorporated Bartow

Amberidge Drive
Ansubet Drive
Apache Drive
Cannon Circle
Cannon Court
East Valley Road
Emerald Run
Emerald Springs Court
Emerald Springs Drive
Emerald Springs Way
Emerald Trail
Glade Trail
Indian Springs Drive
Indian Woods Drive
Industrial Park Road
Maude White Road
Mountain View Court
North Drive, SE
Oak Grove Road
Youngs Mill Road

White

Richards Road

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Sen. Bill Heath represents the 31st Senate District, which includes all or parts of Bartow, Haralson, Paulding and Polk Counties. He may be reached at 404.463.1361 or by email at bill.heath@senate.ga.gov.

Sen. Preston Smith of the 52nd Senate District is the chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee. He represents Bartow, Floyd and Gordon counties and may be reached at preston.smith@senate.ga.gov or in his office at 404.656.0034.